

RAILWAY MATTERS

WORCESTER, NASHUA & ROCHESTER.

The annual and special meeting of the stockholders of the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester Paper Company was held at Worcester, Mass., yesterday, following gentlemen were elected directors:

Charles A. Sinclair of Portsmouth, N. H.
George C. Lord, Newton, Mass.
Frank Jones, Portsmouth, N. H.
James P. Cook, Salem, Mass.
W. W. Armstrong, Brookline, Mass.
Elijah B. Stoddard, Worcester, Mass.
Frank A. McKean, Nashua, N. H.
John A. Spaulding, Nashua, N. H.
Charles Holman, Nashua, N. H.

The special meeting voted to ratify the lease for the Boston & Maine, 21,686 shares voting.

President—Charles A. Sinclair.
Clerk and Treasurer—T. W. Hammond.
Auditor—H. S. Groathead.

NOTES.

Every mail from St. John is now delayed
Vanceboro twelve hours and thoroughly fumed
and. Thus letters leaving St. John on the
train this morning would lay over at Vance-
boro and be taken by to-night's train.

We are informed that twelve new engines
are to be built during the winter at some of the works
of this section of the country to be added to the
Maine Central rolling stock early in the spring.
The company has the intention to have its loca-
tions spread to quality to those of no other road

The adjourned annual meeting of the Portland & Rochester railroad was again adjourned for yesterday afternoon to March 7th at 10 a. m. It is reported that the Central Vermont Company has abandoned their intention of bridging Moosehead Lake, owing to the difficulty of overcoming a 1,500 feet ascent on the east side, and will consequently build to Greenville, at the foot of the lake, which will be a greater distance but will cure more local traffic.

There is excellent authority for stating that the Central Vermont Company has sold the stock of the Central Vermont at the Grand Trunk gains no new power in the company. Every certificate bears an endorsement to this effect. Sir He

may had acquired a control of the Central Vermilion is believed to have had no other foundation (that is probably all he intended) than the formation of a defensive and defensive traffic alliance formed last summer.

THE STATE.

ANDROSOGGIN COUNTY.

One hundred and sixty-five electric lights burned in Lewiston and Auburn, exclusive of the mills.

AROSTOOK COUNTY.

The Shaw property located near the New Brunswick Railway station in Houlton, consisting

owners of tannery property. The works start up immediately, furnishing employment to a large number of men.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

A Chesterville correspondent of the Lewis and Clark Journal says: The village of Chesterville has recently been thrown into considerable excitement by the announcement of the marriage of a certain well-known former physician of Chesterville and the wife of a respected citizen of the same place. The latter gentleman has been in poor health for several years and has been attended by the above-mentioned physician. About a year ago, the doctor went to Sheepscot Bridge, leaving his family in Chesterville. L.

Both himself and the doctor's first wife allege that they have received no notice as required by law. It is understood that none has been filed in court having jurisdiction.

KENNEBEC COUNTY.

The two day's session of the board of missions of the Episcopal Church in Gardiner closes today. Rev. Mr. Allen, who is holding religious meetings in Gardiner, claims to be a direct heir to the throne of Scotland.

In a certain portion of Augusta, comprising about fifty acres, there are said to be by

The board of management of the State experimental station met again Tuesday in August being engaged in closing up the accounts for 1940. The appropriation of \$5000, all \$4500 of which was expended by the close of the year, leaving a balance of \$250.

Messrs. A. Davenport and W. S. Whitmore and Gardner have returned from their hunting trip to the Chain of Ponds and Kirby's Mountains. They had as guides Andrew Douglass and Joe St. Onofre of Eustis, called "Indian Joe." The first day from camp on Kirby's Mountain they killed a moose, the largest of which must have weighed nine hundred pounds, live weight. They brought

Mr. F. A. Jackson, who resides at East W. Thompson, met with a most shocking accident Sunday morning. He was driving a team by a prudent he fell off. Unfortunately immediately beneath him a pitchfork stood against a mow, handle downward. He struck heavily squarely upon the tines, which penetrated his legs, close to his body, the three tines passing entirely through one limb and entering the other. He fell from the mow, unable to move the fork after he had obtained aid from a hired man. The wound was a very painful one.

KNOX COUNTY.

The electric light has struck Camden. In a fight on the steamer Penobscot Saturday

Sunday night about 9 o'clock, Miss Hannah Trussell, aged about 80 years, was assaulted by an unknown man on the corner of Main and Florence streets. The man was armed with a revolver and the assistance came before great injury was done. The police are at work on the case, and they have a tangible clue.

The steamer Henry Morrison in her return from down east, Monday night, had a number of innocent looking barrels. They proved to be a tin snail which had been unlawfully shot, and were seized by Officer Allen of Bangor.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

A dispatch received in Boothbay, Friday, conveyed the sad intelligence that Capt. Alonzo D.

OXFORD COUNTY.
One McPherson, an inmate of the Paris prison house, fell into an open fire one day last week and burned one arm very severely.

PENOBSCOT COUNTY.
Fine looking apples sold in Bangor Tuesday at \$1 per barrel, and perfectly sound ruta hits turnips at 50 cents per barrel, according to the Whig.

Alex. McLean of Mattawamkeag, the noted hunter, has received \$50 bounty on ten beaver killed by him this season.

Mr. William H. Plinson of Lincoln, who lost his leg on Friday, by being run over by the passenger train, is now at the hospital in New York.

resided in Bangor, where he leaves a sister. He was about 70 years old and leaves a wife to mourn his loss.

SAGADAHO COUNTY.

An assembly of Knights of Labor has been formed in Bath, with 200 members.

James Burnham of Bath, a seaman on the Lizzie Moses, fell into the hold, a distance about twenty feet, while the vessel was lying in Vineyard Haven harbor recently. He struck the side of his head, and shoulder upon the deck, but no bones were broken. He was badly bruised and was left at the marine hospital at Portsmouth.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

The following is a full list of ex-members of the Maine Legislature who were present Tuesday evening at the Boston meetings: S. K. Hamilton, Boston (formerly of Biddeford); Henry W. Parker, Cambridge (Hallowell); C. E. Ranlett, Portland; and J. W. Smith, Portland.

William H. Kilby, Boston (Eastport); L. L. Lawrence, North Weymouth, Chelsea (Pembroke); Parkman Hough, Boston (Eastport); John W. Farwell, Melrose (Lewiston); B. T. Chaloner, Boston (East Chelsea); P. S. J. Talbot, Malden (East Machinists); Edwin Smith, Boston (Warren); Harrison H. Boston (Charneyfield); J. E. Butler, Boston (Lynn deford); Nathaniel Littlefield, Chelsea (Lynn).

dollar, a final settlement with the town to be reached at the end of one year. As is the rule in bond, the collector was to be elected by the board of selectmen, and placed in the safe, a combination of which was known to the collector giving the bond. When the year was up it was found on investigation that the collector's bonds were crooked, there being about \$600 of the town's money missing. By this time a new board of selectmen had been elected, and they naturally took the collector's bonds for granted when they found there were irregularities in the collector's accounts. But strange to relate, the bonds were found in the safe and a while afterwards it was discovered in a barn in the neighborhood, formerly

The Barron Case.

Later information from counsel says the Barron case will probably come up at the January 15 meeting of the S. J. Court at Bangor, not in the form of an appeal in the old suit of the bank against the estate, referred to the auditors, but in the form of a new bill of complaint.

There are a good many legal mazes in this case and it will be a long time before the last of them is heard.

We do not read anonymous letters and communications. The name and address of the writer are all cases indispensable, not necessarily for publication but as a guarantee of good faith.

We cannot undertake to return or preserve communications that are not used.

The increase asked for by this Democratic administration of economy and reform for the incoming year over the actual expenditures of the current year is \$37,000,000.

Worthy Master Robie's address to the State Grange shows the order is in flourishing condition. Maine farmers are generally allied with the organization, and there is no doubt that they have derived from it much good. During the past year it has gained 400 in membership, and is financially prosperous.

The Salisbury cabinet is disinclined to carry out the bargain that is generally supposed to have been made between the Tories and the Fenians before election, and the latter are turning their eyes Liberalward. It is declared that Mr. Gladstone has prepared a bill for the government of Ireland and will make a strong bid for Parnell's support.

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Such a system of defenses as he suggests he believes would stand until the whole art of war is changed. The gun of the present design will be a structure on correct scientific principles, and future improvements will be very gradual and will not revolutionize by any sudden increase the scale of velocities now given to projectiles. It would appear, therefore, that the time had come to

be supplied with the best modern type, with the confident assurance that before the list of our armament shall have been completed we will be possessed of guns all of which will be valuable, and a number of them the best that can be manufactured. Thus supplied, and until the present military art shall have passed away, it appears to Gen. Newton to be impossible that great changes in the armament of our forts will be necessary.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

The Triangular Society. Leaves from the life of a Portland family. (Portland: Hoyt, Fogg & Donham.) A book so purely local as The Triangular Society would be sure to create a sensation and awaken much curiosity among Portland people apart from its literary merits. But in this case we have a singularly interesting medley of pure nonsense, paths and common sense, arranged in a very original form, and with an amount of "go" in it which carries one through its pages at railroad speed, save when one lingers over a poem in monotone, or of deep pathos. The triangular family, mother, daughter and son, who have formed a literary society for their own pleasure, and including only themselves, offer a series of poems, "from grave to gay, from lively to severe," which are as pathetic and charming, versus; and our handsome Ex-Governor (have we more than one?) who was wounded in the Battle of the Wilderness, should feel himself immortalized in the exquisite poem, Wounded. For fun and wit we have The Span-Worm; A Melancholy Measure, as well as several clever parodies on familiar poems; and many will remember and laugh again over the baleful Ballad of Bessie B's Broken Bones. One last word to the public: buy, read, enjoy this book; laugh and cry over it, then guess who wrote it, and when you know you will like it all the better for the pride you will feel in its author's name and fame. At the same time drop one tear for the victims of the cruel computer whose sufferings are so feelingly narrated in the serio-comic chapter on "Typographical Errors; and heed the solemn truth of the statement to be found on page 133: that "the poor people, like this blind man and other beggars on the streets, the women who go out choring and take in washing, and those that are helped by charity and such, really do not suffer so much from poverty as do respectable people of small means, especially women who live in decent homes, to keep their place in society, and are obliged to maintain an appearance of comfort, and dress like ladies, no matter how little they may have to do it with."

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Cards, Souvenirs and Novelties.
Everything in the Musical Line—Musical Instruments, Sheet Music, Music Books in fine binding, Violins, Pianos, and Wrappers, Mandolins, Pan-floes, Banjos and Guitars, Music Boxes, Leather Cases, Harmonicas, Toy Instruments, Organettes, Peters & Litol's Editions, Stationery, Photographs and Birthday Cards.

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TEN THOUSAND YARDS OF FINE FRENCH DRESS GOODS,
purchased at a very great sacrifice from cost of importation.

Lot No. 1, - - - 75 cents, worth \$1.25.
Lot No. 2, - - - 62 1-2 cents, worth \$1.00.
Lot No. 3, - 50 cents, worth 75 cents to \$1.00.
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The above goods embrace the most desirable styles offered this season.
This sale has never been equalled and no one can afford to let the opportunity pass without securing all they can use of these beautiful goods.

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I have got several broken lots of Suits for Men, Youths and Boys, which I am closing out cheap. Also big drives in

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At the reduced prices we are to sell these goods in this sale they will make a fine present for Christmas.
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We have a lot of Blankets that will be closed out very cheap on account of being a little soiled.
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Programme for the Week !
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Gent's Easy Chairs, \$3.00.
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Gent's Easy Chairs, \$5.00.
Students' Rockers, \$7.00.
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and up to \$35, all beautifully upholstered in
Hair Cloth, Raw Silk, Ramie, Petit Point and Mohair Plush.

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It is needless to add that we have knocked the bottom out of prices. We shall sell the goods. Come and see them.

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All kinds, in Plush Top, Cloth Top, Marble Top, Wood Top, and Polished Wood Tops. See our celebrated Monongahela Plush Top Tables. We shall mark these goods at prices that will close them out, commencing with Marble Top Tables 20x28, marble top Italian, from \$6.50 and down to \$2.25, and again upwards to \$16. Plush Tops from \$4.00 to \$25.00. Polished wood Tops from \$5.00 to \$25.00. Eighty-five different styles to select from.

RATTAN ROCKERS
from \$2.25 to \$7.00. If you want one please call early. We are going to close them out quick. Fancy Platform Rockers, only three dozen in stock, we shall sell them at \$6.00. Camp Rockers going this week at \$2.25 and upwards.

PARLOR SUITS
upholstered in Hair Cloth, 7 pieces all complete, for \$35, \$40, \$45 and upwards; but the best trade we have ever offered the people of Maine is a 7-piece Crushed Mohair Plush, in combination of colors, for \$55, and in Embossed Mohair Plush for \$45, and in Embossed Mohair Plush, trimmed with plush, \$50. If this isn't the best plush, the best frame, and the best upholstered Parlor Suit for the money in this country, we do not want a cent for it. But please read on, we are in the humor to give service in investigating the cost and handling of Sewing Machines, and have discovered that we can live and do business on less profit in this line, as well as other lines, than has been charged, and so we are going to sell

THE NEW HOME MACHINE
\$15 less per machine than it has ever been offered. For instance, we shall sell on our contract system,

No. 1 for \$25.00 - - - former price \$40.00
No. 3 30.00 - - - " 45.00
No. 4 35.00 - - - " 50.00
No. 5 40.00 - - - " 55.00
No. 6 45.00 - - - " 60.00
No. 7 55.00 - - - " 70.00

The only difference we shall make from the regular instalment way is that we shall require in every instance a quarter down and \$5 per month. We shall keep in stock a full line of goods and shall prepay freight when the goods are sent a distance from the store. Every one knows the New Home Machine, and a great many will wish they had known of this offer before they bought. Every machine is warranted for five years, but no machine will be sent out on trial. Any lady shall be welcome to come and try the machines one day or a dozen days, but making the great concession on price that we do, we can not afford to waste much time over them. REMEMBER we sell you a machine \$15 under the price. The machines have been shipped some days ago, and will be opened Monday. We shall have to the line no matter where the chips fall.

HANGING LAMPS.
Come in and see the line, the price is right.

PARLOR STOVES
This Week, Away ! Under.

We shall sell what we have left at greatly reduced prices. Back Draft Stoves for \$7, \$9, \$11, \$12, \$13, \$15 and upwards, and the largest line in Maine, or in fact New England, to select from. A few choice new things are the Art Bossmore, The Bowdoin, The Berkeley and the Hillsdale. These are all choice goods, you could hardly believe that such handsome stoves could be made from iron, brass and nickel.

RANGES. RANGES.
Don't forget the Range you promised your wife before Christmas. Come and see the New Farley, Quaker, Kirby Union, Nassau, Our Choice, First National, Groveland, Dot, Inwood, &c. Another carload this week.

TURCOMAN CURTAINS, 25 PATTERNS.
We shall not explain the different styles but will simply say we have about 60 pairs which we will sell at \$4.50 a pair, and curtains up to \$20 per pair. Poles, Rings, Loop Chains, shades and fixtures at prices that are down.

Chamber Furniture.
ASH, CHERRY, PINE, WALNUT AND MAHOGANY.

Splendid assortment and the lowest prices in Maine.
CARPET AND RUG DEPARTMENT.

All Wool Carpets, 60 cents and upwards. Tapestry Brussels for \$7 1-2 cents and upwards. Body Brussels 95 cents and upwards, and Velvets for \$1. Smyrna Rugs all sizes, all patterns. A handsome Smyrna Door Mat for \$1.

Comforters, Blankets, Pillows and Feather Beds, Hall Stands in Great Variety, Roll Top Desks, Ladies' Desks, Mirrors, both Mantle and Pier, all sizes. Pillar Extension Tables \$15 and upwards.

SIDEBOARDS \$20.00 to \$80.00
Just the handsomest line in this country.

DINING CHAIRS
And all kinds of useful Household Goods suitable for this season of the year, for cash or on our special contract system.

COR. PEARL AND MIDDLE STREETS, PORTLAND.
B. A. ATKINSON & CO.,
ISAAC C. ATKINSON, Manager,

OPEN EVERY EVENING.

OVERCOAT SALE !

We have made some sweeping reductions in the prices of our Heavy Overcoats, and urge anyone contemplating a purchase to examine them. It will pay you at these prices, to buy for another year.

A heavy and serviceable dark overcoat for \$5, sizes 33 to 40. Better ones for \$6, \$7 and \$8. At \$10 we will sell you an all wool Cassimere coat that is well worth \$15. We have an Oxford for \$10, that was considered a great bargain at \$15.

NOTE THESE PRICES AND COME AND SEE THEM.
A fine imported Kersy Overcoat for \$15, well worth \$25. Made up in a first-class manner. For \$18 and \$20 we will sell you an overcoat that has sold for \$25 to \$28 heretofore.

These are prices that you cannot match, and are worthy your consideration. We have a few of an EXTRA FINE quality Elysian Beaver, full Satin Lined in medium sizes that we are offering low to close.

Full lines of Boys' Overcoats at equally low prices. Men's Roofs and Vests, Cardigan Jackets, Heavy Gloves and Mittens, outside Flannel Shirts, Undershirts and Drawers in great variety.

A first-class Leather Coat which is very desirable for cold weather. Warranted to give satisfaction.

CASCO CLOTHING CO.,
207 MIDDLE STREET, - - - - - OPP. FALMOUTH HOTEL.

LADIES' BEAVER FURS!

Largest line to select from in the city. Also
Nutria, Coon, Lynx, Seal, Cony & Hare Sets
SEAL CAPS AND BEAVER GLOVES.

An immense line of Lined & Unlined Gloves.
An Imported Scotch Cap for 50 cents.
A Boys' all wool Winter Cap 25 cents.
A Silk Umbrella with a Silk case \$2.50.

Robert F. Somers & Co.
232 MIDDLE ST.

Thomas J. Somers can be found with us.

GREAT HOLIDAY SALE
OF
CLOTHING !

THE SPECIAL SALE of Clothing we inaugurated on Thursday, Dec. 3d, by a BIG MARK DOWN, and large shipments of Suits and Overcoats from our wholesale house, to be sold at ABOUT COST TO MAKE, largely increased our sales last week, and we still have an enormous stock of Bargains to select from. Being large MANUFACTURERS, and producing every garment we offer for sale in our own workshops, WE KNOW that the prices we are offering goods at this special sale are fully 25 to 40 per cent. UNDER REGULAR PRICES ANYWHERE.

This week and next to be the largest for the year.

The prodigious Bargains cannot fail to attract those who want to make their money go as far as possible, either in purchasing good reliable clothing for themselves or Boys, or in selecting Christmas Gifts for others.

Nice All Wool Frock Suits, in 1 and 4 Button Cutaway, only \$10 each, regular price \$15 and \$17.
Fine Black Worsted Prince Albert Coats and Vests only \$10 and \$12, regular price \$15 and \$20.

500 Men's and Young Men's Heavy Winter Overcoats, in sizes 33 to 50, at all prices, ranging from \$3 to \$25; large variety at each price, and every garment worth from \$3 to \$5 more money.

Gentlemen's elegant Dress Suits made from the finest English Whipcord and guaranteed equal to any custom garments, at only \$20 and \$25 per suit.

Men's heavy Driving Ulsters, cut long, wide collar, all sizes, \$6.50, \$8, \$10, \$15, \$18 and \$20.

Large Stock of Men's Reefers at \$4 and upwards.
Men's All Wool Pants and Vests to match at \$3, \$4, \$4.50, \$5 and up.

BOYS' OVERCOATS, ages 4 to 11 years, at \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3, \$3.50 and up. We have the largest stock of BARGAINS in Boys' and Children's Suits and Overcoats of the year, and at lowest prices. Now is the time to buy. Goods will be considerably higher next season.

GENTLEMEN'S LEATHER JACKETS in the very best grades manufactured.

Headquarters Manufacturers, Wholesale and Retail Dealers.
STRICTLY ONE PRICE—OPEN EVERY EVENING.

Boston & Portland Clothing Co.,
255 MIDDLE STREET, PORTLAND, ME.

W. C. WARE. - - - - - MANAGER.

One Hundred Dollars Reward.

P. & O. R. R. Coupons.
Coupons due July 1, 1885, on 1st-mortgage Bonds of P. & O. R. R. Co. will be paid by the Receiver on presentation at his office in Portland, SAM. J. ANDERSON, Receiver P. & O. R. R.

THE PRESS.

THURSDAY MORNING, DEC. 17.

WIT AND WISDOM.

The height of fashion—a dino's collar.

Scott's Emulsion of Pure Cod Liver Oil with Hypophosphites.

"Nights" of Labor—Compositors on a morning journal.

The Three Outlets of disease are the bowels, the skin and the kidneys.

Half the world is ignorant of what the other half is doing just now.

Always call for Colgan's Tasty Toin.

A bargain in a woman's view has been defined (or a horrid man, of course) as something you want to half the value.

Do not suffer from Sick Headache a moment longer.

A ring cadence—The circus clown.

Palpitation of the heart, nervousness, trembling, nervous headache, cold hands and feet, pain in the back, and other forms of weakness are relieved by Carter's Iron Pills, made specially for the blood, nerves and complexion.

The original reformer—The coral insect.

"I have kept your medicine, Atholporos, and have sold it for nothing. I find that it is good for rheumatism and neuralgia, and that people get good results from it," reports George Mallard, a prominent druggist of Lacomia, N. H.

Dr. Tanner says that with the unaided eye only about five thousand stars can be seen.

slade's Epileptic Spices are sure to please those who want the best goods, as they are the best Cultivated Spices, powdered perfectly pure.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

REVIEW OF PORTLAND WHOLESALE MARKET.

WEEKLY CLOSING, December 16.

■We have but few changes to note in quotations, a fair business is generally reported for this season of the year.

■The market for flour is quiet, but there is an easy tendency to prices at New York and the West, but there has been no radical change in figures.

■Flour is unchanged, with only a moderate degree of activity. The week opened very strong for refined sugar, in a jobbing way granulated average at 7 7/8c, closing to-day easier at 7 5/8c.

■The market for fruit and vegetables is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for grain is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for oil is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for sugar is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

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■The market for tea is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for spices is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

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■The market for dried fruit is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for preserves is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for confectionery is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

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■The market for ice cream is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

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■The market for game is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

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■The market for shellfish is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for seafood is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for delicatessen is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

■The market for specialty foods is quiet, but there is a fair business in the market.

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